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PALESTINE TENSION Troops Stand To, Ready For Action No Word From The United States

ALCATRAZ PRISON RIOTING

San Francisco, May 3.
Prison guards drove through a hail of gunfire early this morning to corner a group of rioting convicts in the Alcatraz Island Federal Prison cell block and rescued 10 guards who were being held for hostages.

At least one guard was killed and 14 injured in the bloody battle to quell one of the boldest strikes for freedom in American prison history.

Four or five of the nation's major desperadoes are believed to be involved in the outbreak. In Washington, D.C., James C. Bennett, head of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, said that all hostages have been rescued from the hands of the desperate convicts.

Prison guard R. A. Burch reported that the riot started at 3 p.m., San Francisco time on Thursday, when he was overpowered by Bernard P. Coy, who is serving a 25-year sentence for bank robbery. He said Coy seized his rifle and pistol and then obtained other guns which he passed out to accomplices.

The ringleaders of the attempted break have not been captured, but Warden J. A. Johnson said "the situation is improving."—Associated Press.

LADY LOUISE'S FAN MAIL

Father, May 3.
Lady Louise Mountbatten, wife of the Supreme Commander, Southeast Asia, has received a fan mail which would do justice to a film star since she arrived in Western Australia.

Many letters were accompanied by gifts, including a boomerang. The most unusual expression of admiration was an offer to do her laundry.

Lady Mountbatten was leaving today for Alice Springs, on her way to Darwin, North Australia.—Reuter.

King Ferdinand Wants A Gun

(By HAL BOYLE)

Coburg, May 3.
An old man who once equipped hundreds of thousands of troops with arms is today asking the American Military Government for one shotgun.

He is 85 years old King Ferdinand of Bulgaria, now living alone in retirement in his ancestral home.

His former palace inspector, Michael Petro, a Czech who has been with him 44 years, went

WHERE IS "BLACK PETER"? Berlin, May 3.
Public safety officers are hunting for "Black Peter"—believed to be a former Wehrmacht officer who is the hidden leader of the German underground organisation known as "Edelweiss Pirates".

The gang cuts off the hair of German girls who associate with British troops and conducts "war" against Polish displaced persons.

They are known to have been planning the blowing up of a Polish camp.

When one of the "Edelweiss Pirates" was sentenced to death and six others to 18 years imprisonment recently, the President of the British Military Government court described them as a dangerous and illegal organisation, capable of developing into a threat to the future peace of Europe.—Reuter.

A STRONG UNDER-CURRENT OF FEELING PREVAILS IN PALESTINE TODAY, AND SOME 2½ DIVISIONS OF BRITISH TROOPS ARE STANDING TO, AS A RESULT OF THE ANGLO-U.S. COMMISSION'S REPORT RECOMMENDING THE IMMEDIATE ENTRY OF 100,000 JEWS INTO THAT COUNTRY. ARABS IN JERUSALEM STAGED A ONE DAY STRIKE.

NO INFORMATION WAS FORTHCOMING FROM THE UNITED STATES AS TO WHETHER OR NOT IT WOULD AGREE TO THE SENDING OF AMERICAN TROOPS TO PALESTINE TO ASSIST IN THE DISARMING OF THE ILLEGAL JEWISH AND ARAB ARMIES.

British troops in Palestine, reliably estimated to number 2½ divisions, are tonight on the alert for any active reaction to the publication of the Committee's recommendation of immediate entry of 100,000 Jews into Palestine.

They are supported by a number of Royal Air Force units and coastal patrols and, in an emergency, would have behind them 15,000 members of the Palestine Police and prison services.

Aircraft with searchlights, craft patrolling the coastline, and the land forces have all cooperated in the recent actions against illegal attempts to land Jewish emigrants.

The forces—both Jew and Arab—which go to make up the Commission's description of Palestine as an "armed camp"—and which the British forces might be called upon to keep in check, have never yet actually been estimated.

Least of all is known of the secret Arab activities inside Palestine, though recent messages from the Middle East indicate that:

(1) Arab gangs and underground organisations which took part in the 1936-39 disturbances did not altogether disappear when the disturbances petered out in the early part of 1939.

(2) The larger gangs are thought, then to have disintegrated—their chiefs mostly left the country at the time—but a revival of Arab organisations such as took part in the re-

Cancer

London, May 3.
Cancer deaths among civilians in England and Wales last year totalled 73,000, the Minister of Health, Mr. Aneurin Bevan, disclosed in the House of Commons today.

At the same time, it was revealed that 21,000 experiments were performed on living animals during 1944 in connexion with cancer research.—Reuter.

Innocent examination of the problem but the outcome of British and American foreign policy."

One Day Strike

Lenders of Palestine Arabs have appealed for "order and calm" during today's strike which will bring to a standstill all Arab industry, commerce and transport throughout the country in protest against the recommendations of the Anglo-American Commission.

In Jerusalem itself, no demonstrations are being permitted today but in other purely Arab towns such as Jaffa, Nablus, Gaza and Hebron, mass meetings and political rallies had been planned.—Reuter.

He wants it to hunt the auerhahn," said Petro, "he says the auerhahn are calling to him. There is a legend in the royal family that each member must kill an auerhahn each year or he will die."

The auerhahn is a large game bird—a mountain cock.

Not wishing to accept responsibility for any disaster to the royal family by flouting the legend, a military government officer, Major Sidney Klein, is seeking a way to get a license for the household so that Ferdinand can bag his auerhahn and so stave off disaster for another season.

Ferdinand won his crown in an election and lost it in the first world war. He ruled Bulgaria for 34 years from 1884 to 1918. He now lives quietly filling his time with flower and bird studies and reading newspapers.—Associated Press.

Rio De Janeiro, May 3.
The Marquis of Linlithgow, former Viceroy of India, has arrived here accompanied by the Marchioness of Linlithgow.—Reuter.

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NATIONAL HEALTH BILL

London, May 3.
Every doctor in Britain may be asked to vote for or against the National Health Bill, as a result of the decisions taken by hundreds of doctors at a meeting in London at a special representative meeting of the British Medical Association.

Two resolutions remitted to the Council of the Association for consideration declared that before the Council recommends doctors to accept or refuse service under the new bill, a plebiscite of the whole profession should be taken and referendum of the profession should be taken at once to determine the view of the profession before the bill became law and that in the event of the referendum indicating strong opposition to the bill, the Government should be informed immediately with the view to it being confronted with action likely to ensue.

A resolution from Belfast that everyone should be compulsorily insured for health and that complete medical service should be available for all who needed it or desired it provided that state monopoly of medicine was avoided was carried without division.

The resolution to reject the bill in its entirety was not put to the meeting.—Reuter.

FRANCO-BRITISH AGREEMENT

London, May 3.

France and Britain have signed a new financial agreement under which the French agree to pay all their outstanding debts to Britain, now totaling £10,000,000 by April 1, 1949.—Associated Press.

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Frank Buchman Called "Soapy Racketeer"

London, May 3.

Dr. Frank Buchman, 67-year-old American evangelist and leader of the Oxford Group, was denounced by the Labourite, Mr. Tom Dibberg, in the House of Commons today as a "soapy racketeer" who "formerly" expressed enthusiasm for the work and personalities of the Nazi leaders.

Mr. Dibberg wanted to know why Dr. Buchman was allowed to enter England with 100 of his followers to "disseminate propaganda of his cult."

Mr. Chuter Ede, Home Secretary, said it was not the Government's policy to discriminate between religious bodies.

"This evangelist has a number of adherents in this country whose loyalty has never been in doubt," Mr. Ede pointed out.

He said he knew certain Members of the House "have sometimes gained spiritual strength and consolation from this denomination."

Mr. Dibberg was dissatisfied with Mr. Ede's attitude and threatened a debate on the subject.—Reuter.

YUGOSLAV CASE

London, May 3.
The Belgrade radio last night said that the Yugoslav deputy Prime Minister Kardelj, left by plane for Paris to present the Yugoslav case to the Foreign Ministers' conference.

Kardelj was accompanied by Foreign Minister Simitch and various advisers.—Associated Press.

British Government on disarming the "illegal armies" and the surrender of their arms.

The unanimous recommendation of the Anglo-American Commission was that these tragic victims of Nazi rule should be admitted to Palestine in 1946 without conditions.—Reuter.

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NOT IN THE PINK

London, May 3.
Britain's exclusive fox-hunting community has been hit by the clothing shortage. "Hunting pink" coats are scarce. Bemoaning the lack of "correct clothes" one commentator wrote, "At the Crawley and Horsham Hunt Ball recently I counted only 50 pink coats." The remainder of the male guests wore ordinary black.—Reuter.

"Lorries High With Coffins"

Royston, near Barnsley, May 3.

The Reverend J. G. Sebold, Vicar of Royston, makes this comment in the Parish magazine on victory parades: "Strip the glamour of war from victory celebrations. Instead of rifles and gun carriages, there should be stretchers and spinal carriages."

"Instead of tanks there should be lorry loads of wreckage and lorries piled high with coffins. Following these would come thousands of aged people, bowed with grief from whom the sun has gone out of their lives. Then widows and fatherless children. In the real procession would come tens of thousands of little ones with their ribs showing through their skins."

"Loud-speakers would proclaim the sorrow of the hopeless and bereaved whose sons would take the place of cheering."

The Reverend Sebold said: "Already the people are beginning to forget the horrors of war and are remembering only its glamour."—Reuter.

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Der Fuehrer Gave Him A Forged Picture

Nuremberg, May 3.

Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, former President of the Reichsbank, told the War Crimes Tribunal here today that if he had opposed Hitler's demand for money, "there would have been monologue with terror and by now I should have been in my tomb".

Speaking in his own defence Dr. Schacht told the court that he never received money gifts from Hitler, but on his 60th birthday he received a picture supposed to be worth 20,000 marks, and which he recognised immediately as a forgery. Hitler never replaced it.

Asked about the Nazi Party's "Links" badge, and whether this golden emblem was not Germany's highest honour, Dr. Schacht raised a laugh by replying with an audible sigh. "Many who had one would have preferred to have a new car."

At the end of the day, his duel with the prosecution still unfinished, Dr. Schacht gave the impression of being an extremely confident witness.

He admitted that from 1937 to 1942 he had paid an annual contribution of 1,000 marks to the Nazi Party funds. He was not anti-Semitic, he said.

Dr. Schacht said that visits to Hitler of so many foreign leaders—including Crowned heads—gave the Fuehrer such prestige that it was almost impossible for the so-called "Resistance Group" to have a chance.—Reuter.

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GIRAL IN BRITAIN

London, May 3.

Dr. Jose Giral, Prime Minister of the Spanish Republican Government in exile, who is expected to arrive in Britain from Paris on Sunday, has been granted a transit visa by the British authorities to enable him to come here on his way to the United States.

He was accorded similar facilities when he travelled to Paris some time ago.—Reuter.

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Allies Helped Hitler

Nuremberg, May 3.

Hjalmar Schacht, wartime Nazi Minister of Finance, told the international military tribunal yesterday that Britain and France at the Munich Conference in 1938 had "never" conceded to Hitler "concessions which he never expected to get" and thereby dealt a blow to the anti-Nazi in Germany.

Schacht said that at Munich Hitler tried to get only autonomy

for the Germans in Czechoslovakia but the allies handed him the Sudeten territories. "This success strengthened Hitler's popularity and weakened chances of removing him."—Associated Press.

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THE WEATHER

Today's forecast: Fair to cloudy, with moderate easterly winds.

Yesterday's temperature: Maximum—79 deg. at noon. Minimum—79 deg. at 7 a.m.

Sunshine: 3 hours.

Maximum Humidity: 98 percent at 8 a.m.

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Self-Government

And so, at long last, it has come. "His Majesty's Government has under consideration the means by which in Hong Kong, as elsewhere in the Colonial Empire, the inhabitants of the territory can be given a fuller and more responsible share in the management of their own affairs." If there has been no popular demonstration of enthusiasm or approval in consequence of this historic announcement by His Excellency the Governor, the fact does not belie the profound satisfaction with which it has been greeted by all sections of the community. The plain truth is that the Colony is no longer in the mood to get exuberant over the disposal of the delusion that political sagacity exhausted itself when the constitution of the Colony was formulated a century ago. The boot rather was on the other foot. Had there been no announcement, either on the return to civil government, or shortly afterwards, indicating the doom of the era of patronage and privilege, and the introduction of a genuine measure of self-government, then the community could readily have been stirred into excitement. Pleasure, however, like everything else, is purely relative, and even while the promise of the development of democratic institutions within this Colony conforms with general expectations, pleasure and content with the plans unfolded are not diminished. Particularly satisfying is the wide field of scope thrown open both by the Government's statement of policy and His Excellency's instructions. It is suggested that one method of ensuring effective participation of the people of Hong Kong in the management of their own affairs would be by handing over certain functions of internal administration, hitherto exercised by Government, to a Municipal Council constituted on a fully representative basis. It is a proposal that commends itself as by far the most promising approach at this stage in the Colony's history to the practical difficulties of discovering the point at which the rights of citizenship fit in most appropriately with readiness for responsibility. We delude ourselves if we imagine that Hong Kong's civic development can measure up to the standards required for full democracy. But we do ourselves greater injury if we lose sight of the fact that the absence of representative institutions tend naturally to prevent the growth of civic spirit and to stifle initiative. Between too much and too little, the Municipal Council idea seems to strike a happy mean. Direct participation in municipal affairs is the best training ground for the true democratic spirit and for a sense of civic pride and responsibility. It is probably also true that the problem of devising a satisfactory franchise will prove, in experience, to be less acute than if an attempt were made, at this time, to extend the principle of self-government, to any drastic extent, into other spheres. Some modification of the Legislative Council system may well be found to be desirable. While a job is being done, let us make it a good job, and ensure that Unofficial members are both genuinely representative of the community and invested with more than an emasculated power of protest. On these lines, there is much that will have to be thrashed out in consultations which His Excellency the Governor proposes to initiate. It calls for care thought by all responsible minds lest an attainable good be lost, either through a strained perfectionism, or through lack of solidarity.

A TORY DISCUSSES THE LABOUR GOVERNMENT

Many people are asking me why election results do not show a bigger movement of public opinion against the Government. I remind them of the story of Charles II and his brother James, James, then Duke of York and heir to the throne, asked Charles why he did not take greater precautions against assassination.

Charles replied that he knew his Government was unpopular. "But," he added, "nobody would kill me, James, to make you King."

The reason why by-elections do not yet show a swing against the Government is the same. The Government is losing its popularity, but the Conservative party are not regaining theirs.

Nevertheless, I have detected signs lately that people who voted Labour last June are slowly beginning to suspect that things are not as they would have wished.

They are right. The Government has mistaken the nature of its mandate and is being rapidly driven by its supporters into an entirely wrong direction.

In the main, people voted Labour in order to avoid certain dangers, real or imagined, which they associated with Conservative government.

First of all, they wanted to run no risk of a return to mass unemployment, and they held the Conservative Party responsible for the chronic unemployment which darkened our domestic politics after 1921.

Secondly, they wanted certain basic fundamentals of civilized life to be available to all without regard to their means—a fair start in life, both in food and education, medical attention, insurance against sickness, unemployment and old age, a decent home.

They very largely believed the propaganda which told them that Conservatives would not offer these advantages—and for this they were not wholly to blame.

What the electors certainly

never intended—probably never even thought possible—was that the Labour Party should use their victory not for the purpose of improving conditions of life but to levy war on one after another of the trades, classes, and professions of which the community is composed.

Such a class war is totally unnecessary. The great scheme of Social Insurance planned by the Coalition Government involved no such attack.

Full employment would have brought both high wages and good profits. An agreed scheme

for a comprehensive National Health Service was almost achieved.

Free meals in schools and a subsidised price level would have brought the necessities within the reach of the least wealthy.

Houses would have come slowly at first, no doubt, but soon more quickly under the combined efforts of local authority and private enterprise. The Education Act was already on the Statute Book.

There was no reason whatever to necessitate or justify the particular course which Ministers have seen fit to take.

In each case the group can be written off as a sectional interest. No doubt the principle can be carried a good deal farther.

When the object is to build houses Mr. Bevan goes out of his way to insult and frustrate the thousands of private builders up and down the country.

When the plan is to create a comprehensive health service, he deliberately cuts across the voluntary hospitals and the medical profession—on whose continued good will the success of the scheme is quite likely to depend.

The National Insurance Bill could quite well have been so arranged as to take in the friendly societies—but Mr. James Griffiths brutally determines to drive his supporters through the lobbies against

them, notwithstanding the fact that fully half had given a pledge the other way at the election.

A plan for the transport industry of this country could perfectly easily take into account the interests of the tens of thousands of small firms of long-distance road hauliers.

But the Government has made up its mind to destroy the livelihood of all these men and many of their employers.

The Liverpool cotton market not merely provided in peace-time the means whereby certain prices could be quoted in advance to sellers and buyers of cotton throughout the world; it also provided a much needed source of foreign exchange—particularly of dollars to the tune of at least £1,000,000 a year.

Nevertheless, the Government decided to close the Exchange.

These policies—covering a vast field of public life and enterprise—have all one element in common, a deliberate and planned attack by the Government on whatever group of men and women have in the past best succeeded in serving the public in that particular sphere.

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Mr. Wilmet has apparently marked down the steel industry for nationalisation despite the fact that it has provided a perfectly workable plan for its own reorganisation.

The truth is that the Labour Party is nothing but an immensely vested interest in class antagonism.

And so it will go on—as group after group is successively brought under the Labour banner.

No profession, no locality, no way of life will be safe any more than it was under the Nazis.

All will be gleichgeschaltet sooner or later—until, maybe, it will gradually dawn on the people that although each class or group individually is a small minority, collectively they make up the nation—and it is the nation which is being attacked piecemeal by our National Socialist Administration.

BY THE WAY

By BEACHCOMBER.

Palsanguienne! Morguienne! Stop my gizzard! Cram me with stuff! An official of the Ministry of Food said to a reporter the other day. "In theory, everyone is getting two eggs a week."

I am told, furthermore, that people living in theoretical houses are in theory, getting masses of fittings and furniture. Stuff me with theoretical butter! Theory is the lad that does it! But how astonishing it is that Ministries and Government Departments have not made more use of such a convenient phrase.

On The Slopes Of Popacatinaketi

My special correspondent on Popacatinaketi has been shielding his eyes for the first sight of the Strabismus expedition. But nothing stirs in the undergrowth save birds of gorgeous plumage. A sudden flash of gold and green betrays the presence of the oraca, which rises chattering like a baboon from its nest among the match-grass. To the left a lynx is baying. To the right an armadillo splashes in the field waters of an inland lagoon bordered by towering jacaranda trees. Boil-flies and marsh-beetles num through the steaming air their iridescent wings gleaming as they dart to and fro. In a hollow pochoco tree the Mexican eagle utters his low warning cry to the little caciques. Jungle-thrushes, a hunting for small insects pause to utter a silvery cascade of melody. There is no sign of human life.

Important Announcement

The decontrolling of unzoned utility catsmeat shall not apply to the decontrolling of such unzoned catsmeat as was in process of being zoned when the decontrolling order came into force unless such catsmeat as is there implied shall be deemed to be zoned catsmeat temporarily zoned during the interim stage having regard to the regulations applying to zoned catsmeat which was previously unzoned before the unzoning order took effect. If, however, such catsmeat as has been unzoned during the zoning regulations shall be deemed to be zoned pending the coming into effect of the order then such catsmeat shall be deemed to be unzoned until a further zoning order cancels the unzoning of

decontaminated catsmeat whether utility priority or austerity catsmeat be intended or not.

The Jigsaw Of Human Health

better manufacturers of essential foodstuffs than others.

That complicates the whole problem of giving sound advice to the world on how to give the right quantity of vitamins to stave off the effects of world famine. And it becomes necessary to study the way in which vitamins are produced in the animal body.

Now, there is plenty of evidence that in the animal intestines billions of bacteria live which pay their rent and board, by manufacturing vitamins.

That brings us to the sulphonamide drugs. These drugs are valuable to human beings because they stop the growth of dangerous bacteria. But all bacteria are not dangerous; some are valuable like these vitamin-making bacteria.

That being so it becomes necessary to find out what effect, if any, the sulphonamide drugs have on friendly bacteria. The refection

By A SCIENTIFIC CORRESPONDENT

ed rats are full of vitamin-making bacteria, so that, even when all the vitamin B is removed from their food, vitamin B passes out of their body.

Aid For Doctors

When the sulphonamides are given them the vitamin B disappears. That means the friendly bacteria have been injured.

So as to check on this result another step is taken. It is known that p-aminobenzoic acid stops the sulphonamides from injuring disease-causing bacteria; if then it is due to the drug that the vitamin B is not being manufactured, this bad result should start when the acid is given.

And that is exactly what happens. And so the whole thing is proved beyond a doubt.

At once we see that something very important to human beings follows: a sick man being cured with sulphonamide drugs may be running the risk of vitamin starvation unless his diet is suitably enriched to counteract the possible cutting off of his body-made supplies.

Doctors can now see why some of their patients are not doing as well as they should, and take appropriate measures to put things right.

Now the moral of all this is that science is not a matter of an occasional sudden discovery, but of thousands of little pieces of research carefully carried out like this one, seeming perhaps in themselves very little but adding up on which the safety and comfort of our lives depend.

A London Letter

The official figures of the their enemy. The medicos are baring their chests and the dentists are baring their teeth; a big battle is imminent. It is true that the doctors do not dispute the aim of the National Health Service Bill. Their protest is against the means adopted to achieve that aim. They foresee that the relationship between doctor and patient will be killed by the dead hand of bureaucracy, that the doctor will be unable to preserve the individuality he has treasured in the past and that he will in time become just another civil servant. This last point, of course, is one which has not escaped the cartoonist. One wit in a morning paper depicts the doctor of the future who is dressed in brass buttoned uniform and wears a peaked cap; his black bag bears the label "Doctor, No. 413276." As he addresses the lady of the house, on whom he is calling, he consults his very official notebook. "I'm from the Gastric Department," he says. "I understand you've been having some trouble."

Truly the fishmonger's shops make a brave show just now. The white marble slabs are covered with plaice, soles, whiting, cod, haddock, herrings and kippers; and against this sombre yet solid background there brightly shine the gay colours of red mullet and fat healthy scallops. There is plenty for all and no need to queue.

It seems that quite suddenly and unexpectedly life has become less depressing. How much this is due to the headline being calmer and the headwind softer it is hard to say. As the news about foreign affairs has become less harsh so has the weather. The sudden arrival of spring, it would appear, has mollified the hearts of editors and jolted the outlook of civilians. This week we have had the warmest day since the autumn, the temperature in London, at midday, reaching 58 degrees. During the lunch hour the streets were filled with overcoat-less strollers, and on the benches in the gardens the more hardy snacked at their paste-filled sandwiches and scattered the crumbs to acquisitive spa-

rows. Certainly spring's upsurge has come at the right time for Britain's doctors. The 60,000 members of the British Medical Association must indeed feel their own pulses quickening and the blood racing more rapidly through their veins. With one voice they brand Mr. Bevan as

an expression as blandly disdained as her understatements. Pearl openly on behalf of the British women's war effort with the simple statement: "I am here to try to give you an idea of some of the work we did, and will gladly answer any question except in relation to our training."

In brief, rather halting sentences, she explains that it was their job to disrupt German communications. The radio girls had an easier harder job than hers, because they had to sit where they were all-day coding and decoding radio messages from London and knowing all the time that the German secret service man might walk in on them.

In May 1943 her R.A.F. leader was arrested and sent to Buchenwald, and she found herself in charge of 2,000 Frenchmen and the whole organization in his district.

Goggle-Eyes.

Five days after D Day her troupe was attacked by a greatly superior German force. "But, owing to our knowledge of the terrain, our casualties were fortunately not high."

"Into the shock-charged atmosphere of a roomful of women, gazing goggle-eyed and unable to believe their ears, somebody introduced the fact that the Nazis put a price on Pearl's head."

"Much too much," she says. "I'm sure I couldn't have been worth all that, even to the Nazis."

"But, however," asks an earnest-looking matron with a bird of paradise squatting on top of her unwept curls, "you mean you had to organize 2,000 men?"

"Miss Blank," the Prime Minister is coming over now. "Would you like him full or boiled?" It took her quite some time to discover that she was being asked if she'd like a verbatim of the speech of Mr. Winston Churchill or whether

she would prefer a précis. It

is the first place," explains Pearl gently. "I lived all my life before the war in France. They knew, too, that I had taken special training and had been parachuted in especially to help them. So when I asked for volunteers for an especially dangerous job I had more than I could cope with."

"Did I actually teach them how to blow up bridges?" Oh yes. Was that part of my training? Yes!"

"How long was your training, honey child?" asks a respectful voice from the back.

"Three months," comes the answer, as somebody else inquires about arms.

"We used bazookas—we were

very, very proud of the bazookas," Pearl informs. "Small machine guns, pistols, and, of course,

hand-to-hand combat."

"All in all, quite a brilliant

piece of propaganda work for who ever was responsible for it."

Pall Post

Can you imagine a rubbish pall dreary enough to sport flower posies and love knots? My phonograph order for an elegant pall brought a "What colour is your kitchen, Gal?" from the assistant.

"I told her, "Red and white," to receive the immediate query: "What type are you?" I told her, and asked, "Why?"

"Oh, it's very important," the girl assured me. "It makes all the difference in the world."

What I would have got if I'd described myself differently intrigues me mightily, for the pall now sitting by my sink has a red top and foot lever, and white sides elegantly spattered with small rosebuds of red tulips and pink carnations tied with red ribbon.

Such homely kitchen necessities as mixing bowls are personal and colourful, too. My newly received sol-ordered in fireproof glass

turns up in a sextet of different pastel tones. Thinking they were china (they look exactly like it), I remonstrated, to be told to "Go on right back and take another look. You'll find they're just as fireproof as that dull old clear glass and a whole heap prettier."

They are, too!

Nursery gag

Much-headlined woman here these past few days has been 20-year-old divorcee Mrs. Verone Moreno, brown-eyed, raven-haired Government Secretary in Washington, advertised for her husband: "A relatively young man, under 35, especially one who is tall and likes to rhumba, though none of these things is a must. The main thing is that he likes children." She gave her telephone number, and lost several of her advertised 90lb. of weight in a matter of hours, racing from her second floor living-room to the basement to answer the flood of inquiries.

Among several to get put on her reference list was a travelling salesman and a Westerner offering "lawyer's proof of a California ranch home and an income in \$425 a month."

After several days, Verone admitted it was just a gag to point out the lack of child-care centres in Washington. Verone's four-year-old son John is one of several hundred children whose mothers will have no place to leave them when they are at work. If the existing centres have to close down, as threatened, in a few days.

It takes \$37,500 a year to run the nurseries, which were started purely as a wartime measure. The problem now is to find that sum annually.

Even mothers are not as anxiously hopeful that it will be as District Commissioner Guy Mason. He, wretched man, is faced with the mother's

ARABS "WARN" BRITAIN

Four-Point Resistance Campaign

Organisation Of Defence Forces

Communists Split In Hungary

Budapest, May 3. A split is developing within the Hungarian Communist Party over the fate of Paul Démény, an outstanding Communist leader before the war, who has for the past year been a prisoner of the political police.

Meetings have been held by the Communists Party to deal with it, though, so far, details have been withheld from the public.

Present-day leaders of the party are not willing to work with Démény. They allege that he has been an informer and is really a Fascist. Although held by the political police since Feb. 12, 1945, Démény has been neither charged nor tried.

He joined the Communist movement in 1917. In 1931 he was sentenced to be hanged for his part in the Hungarian communist, but the sentence was commuted to six years' imprisonment.

According to his own statements and thousands of his followers, Démény was the moving spirit of the Communist Movement in Hungary. His pamphlet in 1938, "Not the Czechs but the Germans are Our Enemies" cost him two years' imprisonment.

During the German occupation, he joined the Resistance Movement and was the connecting link with the army until he handed over this duty to Dr. Rajk, now Minister of Interior.

Démény's organisation was called the Communist Party in Hungary, while a parallel party, known as the Hungarian Communist Party, was led by men who lived in Moscow during the war. The two merged in November, 1944. Démény states that there is no political controversy between him and the present leaders of the Hungarian Communist Party, who are responsible for his imprisonment, and that his arrest is due to pure personally reasons.—Reuter.

Old Crocks In Pageant

London, May 3. A pageant of 400 motor vehicles, including passenger and commercial cars and tractors, illustrative of the vintages from 1896 to 1946, will tour London on July 27 in celebration of the British motor industry's golden jubilee, the organizing committee announced today.

Other events in the commemorative programme will be the opening of the Motor Industry's headquarters and an exhibition entitled "A pageant of 50 years of progress."

Provincial cavalcades will be arranged for Birmingham, Coventry, Manchester, Cardiff, Edinburgh and Belfast.—Reuter.

Palestine For U.N.O.?

New York, May 3. A spokesman for a member of the United Nations said yesterday there was a "possibility" that the Palestine issue may be brought before the Security Council.

The spokesman, who declined to be identified, said that such action may be decided upon within the next two days.

"The present situation in Palestine," he said, "is certainly a threat to peace in the Middle East. There can be no doubt of that. Therefore, the Palestine question definitely comes under the jurisdiction of the Security Council."

He did not say which nation might take the initiative in calling the issue to United Nations action.—Associated Press.

SMUGGLED JEWELS INTO BRITAIN

London, May 3. For bringing £9,000 worth of jewelry and glass-ware into Britain for the black market, eight Czechoslovak soldiers were fined amounts ranging from £7.10 to £7.73 today.

The goods were stated to have come from Prague in two military lorries which were transported across the Channel, and landed at Tilbury, near London. Two defendants pleaded guilty and on behalf of those who claimed innocence it was said they were not asked to declare anything by the customs. The goods were confiscated by the court.—Associated Press.

Organisation Of Defence Forces

JERUSALEM, May 3. THE ARAB HIGHER COMMITTEE YESTERDAY ANNOUNCED THAT IT HAD SENT A "WARNING" TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT RESPECTING THE PALESTINE INQUIRY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS, AND SAYING THAT ARABS NOW WILL PROCEED TO ORGANIZE THEIR FORCES "AND PREPARE ALL MEANS FOR DEFENSE IN ORDER TO RESUME THE NATIONAL STRUGGLE." THE MESSAGE TO BRITAIN WAS ADDRESSED TO PRIME MINISTER CLEMENT R. ATTLEE AND DISPATCHED THROUGH THE PALESTINE HIGH COMMISSIONER, SIR ALAN CUNNINGHAM.

Earlier, officials of the High Committee appealed to the Arab nations to rally to the defense of Palestine and said it would study plans to modernize Arab youth in a struggle "which will continue till

sion was hammered out in Jerusalem today by the Arab Higher Committee.

The Arab four-point plan calls for:

(1) Civil disobedience campaign.

(2) Mass meetings throughout Palestine for May 10.

(3) Creation of a Arab National Fund to finance the Arab cause in Palestine.

(4) Mobilization of Arab youth and Arab Moslems of Europe in the service of the country.

The British Government, it is learned from responsible authority, will ask the U.S. for:

U.S. Armed Aid

(1) American military reinforcements to allow the doubling of the present garrisons in the strife-torn land. These would be needed to "protect" the proposed 100,000 new Jewish immigrants.

(2) Large-scale financial assistance to help to cover not only considerable cost of new immigration, but to assist in the rapid, economic and cultural development of Palestine.

(3) That negotiations be opened with a view possibly to establishing a joint Anglo-American trusteeship for the Holy Land, thus "regularizing" America's financial and physical contribution to implementation of the new White Paper which limited Jewish immigration.

Meantime, responsible Arab leaders told the Associated Press that a memorandum was in preparation which "will repudiate and reject, point by point, the Committee's report."

One spokesman said the report would be condemned for its "moral and intellectual tone of condescension, its cowardliness and superficiality, and for the fact that it was written by a group of tourists who stayed in the country only a few months."

Complete Arab reaction to the Inquiry Committee's report began crystallizing with the call for a one-day general strike to-day and with the formation of an Arab Committee to study plans for later civil disobedience activity.

Threat To Arabs

The text of the Higher Committee's letter to Prime Minister Attlee reads as follows:

"In connection with the report of the Inquiry Committee, the Arab Higher Committee has decided to reject the recommendations in the said report. The higher Committee believes the report is not the result of a free and innocent examination of the problem, and that it is the outcome of American and British policy. Implementation of the said recommendations threatens the national existence of Arabs in Palestine.

Violation Of Charter

"In addition, it is a violation of the rights of self-determination, of pledges to the Arabs by the British, of the Atlantic Charter and of the principles for which the Allies waged war. The Higher Committee declared the determination of Arabs to defend the country with all the means at their disposal."

"Pending the decision of the British Government on the implementation of the report, the Arabs will proceed to organize their national forces and prepare all means for defense in order to resume the national struggle. The Arabs shall not fail to take the path leading to the expulsion of this danger to sovereignty, liberty and independence."

"In view of the above, the Higher Committee presents this warning, demanding a refusal of the recommendations, and the realization of our national demand."—Associated Press.

Four-Point Plan

London, May 3. A four-point plan for Palestine resistance to the findings of the Anglo-American Commis-

Pretty Cool Example Of Cheek

London, May 3. "A pretty cool example of cheek," was how Mr. William J. Brown, Independent Member of the House of Commons described the Anglo-American Palestine Committee's recommendation that 100,000 Jewish immigrants should be allowed into Palestine, if possible this year.

"The proposal boils down to the fact that Britain will have to settle these Jews in Palestine without military or financial assistance from the United States, who shares with Britain the responsibility for the production of the report. Britain will have to dump them there, and then face the consequences, and it requires no forethought at all to see what the consequences will be. The report makes that clear," Mr. Brown concluded.

The Socialist Member of Parliament, Mr. B. Janner, Chairman of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Ireland, welcomed the proposal to grant 100,000 immigration certificates, and said he was convinced that the new settlers would justify the confidence placed in them, just as the Jewish pioneer settlers had.

He insisted that the British should be allowed to "protect" the proposed 100,000 new Jewish immigrants.

Press reports here have laid special stress on disarmament of Jewish armed men, but it is understood that the British consider it equally important to neutralize Arab "guerrillas" who were just as troublesome to the British forces in the 1930s.

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No-Comment

Washington, May 3. President Truman declined to day to discuss British suggestions for American help in administering Palestine.—Associated Press.

Syrian Support

Damascus, May 3. Prime Minister Sandallah Juhuri's new Cabinet announced yesterday it was condemning the Anglo-American Palestine Inquiry report and promising unlimited Syrian support of Palestine in fighting Zionism.

The Cabinet recommended that Syria maintain close relations with all Arab States giving strong support to the Arab League and help Arab States achieve independence.

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Professor Harold Laski, Chairman of the Executive Committee of Britain's Labour Party, in a pamphlet issued to day, explains the Labour Party leadership's opposition to the Communist Party's request for affiliation with the Labour Party, contending that the Communists work deliberately towards the one-party state.

The Communist strategy, upon Washington. "The real Professor Laski says, assumes need is for a road to democracy the inevitability of a violent and freedom, which lies through intelligent devotion to peace."

In Professor Laski's view, for socialists of democratic outlook, the unity demanded by the Communist Party is incompatible with the major purpose for which the Labour Party was brought into being.

It would be foolish, Professor Laski concluded, if in the hour when democratic citizens of every country look to the British Labour Party for inspiration and leadership, it should substitute for its own philosophy an outlook built upon distrust of the common people and denial of their right to experiment with the institutions of freedom.—Reuter.

Since it regards itself as the vanguard of the proletariat, the Communist Party must permeate the ranks of the Labour Party in order to dominate its life, Professor Laski maintained. Thus only can it prepare for that dictatorship which is the necessary method of consolidating its authority after the proletariat has buried the bourgeoisie from power.

The Labour Party, continued its Chairman, does not propose to follow either the Communist road to dependence upon Moscow or the road of dependence

Paris, May 3. Five prototype French planes, which will make exhibition flights over several South American cities, will shortly be shipped from Rouen on the French merchantman Commandant Handel. It was announced here today.

Giants

Greenock, May 3. The world's most powerful ship, the 48,000-ton Vanguard, was brought to anchor off here today after a two and a half hour journey down the River Clyde from the yards where she was built.

This newest battleship, which costs about £11,000,000, built in the Clydebank ship yards, will lie at anchor with in a mile of the world's largest liner, the 86,000-ton Queen Elizabeth, also a product of Clydebank shipbuilding skill.—Reuter.

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"KILLING GIRLS"

Frankfurt, May 3.
Three Germans were sentenced in Stuttgart today for spreading rumours that Polish Jews were slaughtering 17-year-old German girls and selling their flesh on the black market.

Two received six months' jail terms and the third got a four-month suspended sentence.—Associated Press.

Did "Repairs" Without Permit

Suspended for having on April 1 and 10 carried on work in connection with the installation of an inside service at 439-441, Castle Road, connected to the waterworks system in the area, without having an appropriate licence entitling him to undertake such work, Mak Yau, of 5, Wing Sing Lane, was fined \$150 by Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon Court yesterday.

Proceeding on behalf of the Waterworks Department, Mr. Cash stated that the defendant had been summoned following complaints from residents of the area that their water supply had been cut off. A representative of the Department had been sent to investigate and found that a 2-inch supply valve had been closed down.

In making the connection, closing the valve was essential to the operation. Defendant said that he was interrupted and said that he was employed by Wing Lee at 6, Wing Sing Lane.

The Water Authority wished a serious view to be taken of the case as it was short-staffed and such unauthorised work could not easily be checked upon. The work done by defendant was of poor standard, while a very high standard was required before a licence was granted by the Department.

Married

Miss Ronne Rose Gehring was married to L.A.C. Frederick Huston, R.A.F., at the Registry yesterday morning with Deputy Registrar J. M. Hall officiating.

Charged with the larceny, on or about March 22, of 40 drums of caustic soda from the s.s. Glenartney, Chan Wing, 45, a tallowman, and Wong Cheung, 48, a lighterman, appeared before the Magistrate, Mr. W. H. Latimer, at Kowloon Court yesterday.

They were remanded seven days, bail of \$500 being allowed.

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"Pacific Show Boat" Opens Its Doors

"PACIFIC SHOW BOAT" OPENED ITS \$8,000,000 DOORS TO BRITISH AND AMERICAN SAILORS, ON THURSDAY EVENING, A FEW HOURS AFTER THE SHIP'S ARRIVAL IN HONG KONG.

IN REALITY THE S.S. MENESTHEUS, IT IS THE ROYAL NAVY'S FIRST AMENITIES SHIP, A BLUE FUNNEL LINER COMPLETELY REFITTED TO CATER FOR THE RELAXATION, RECREATION AND ENTERTAINMENT OF SERVICEMEN.

The title "Pacific Show Boat" belonging to the ship's stage review—might well apply to the vessel itself, which can in one evening provide up to 800 men with meals, beer, and a cinema or first class theatre show.

Flying the "Red Duster," S.S. Menestheus marks perhaps the biggest—and certainly a successful—"merger" of Merchant Navy and Royal Naval personnel. The ship is about 45,000 tons, was built for the Royal Navy, and carries a combined crew totalling about 300, who run the ship, manage a cafeteria, brewery and shops, and present entertainment shows in addition.

Unique Ship

Unique in its position as an amenities ship, the 11,000 tons Menestheus had the first wartime role of a mine-layer. It was then converted in Vancouver shipyards for use in the Pacific, where men of British warships were spending long periods at sea with little or no facilities for relaxation.

The ship's theatre can accommodate 400 people and is fitted with a good-sized stage, lighting, drapes, dressing rooms and orchestra pit. The entertainment schedule varies from films to light music or swing on the stage review.

"Pacific Show Boat" is the first all-Naval review to go on the boards. It is directed and produced by Lieutenant Commander Ronnie Hill, R.N.V.R.—the Ronnie Hill well known in Britain as a radio performer, variety star, and composer of the musical scores of several films and West End shows.

In other parts of the ship are reading, writing and quiet rooms. A well-stocked library is provided and separate bars, buffets, and cafes, for officers and Chief and Petty Officers.

observer to Able Seaman.

Two Orchestras

Twenty-one first class Royal Marine Bandmen combine into a theatre orchestra and a concert dance orchestra.

The revue made its first appearance in the Lyric Theatre, Hammersmith, last year, and later toured Belgium, Germany, Holland and Northern Ireland, entertaining over

45,000 troops.

Small units also visited military hospitals and the Company took part in the opening of the British Forces network at Radio Hamburg.

Several thousand homeward-bound Canadians were entertained on board the "Nieuw Amsterdam" when the Company crossed the Atlantic to tour Canada and play to over 30,000 people to assist the Victory Loan Drive.

Real Brewing

Another important feature of this surprising ship is its fully equipped brewery which is capable of producing 9,000 gallons of beer a week. Made from concentrated hops and malt and distilled sea water, the beer is equal in quality to old ale draught beer. Five gallon drums are supplied to other ships and it is sold for roupence a pint.

Four hundred men can satisfy their hunger and slake their thirsts in the large cafeteria, while on the deck below they can get a haircut, order a new suit, take boots and shoes for repairing, and even record a message to send to the family back home!

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American Guests

Since leaving Vancouver during the early part of this year, S.S. Menestheus has visited Yokohama, Kure, and Shanghai. "Show Boat" celebrated its one hundredth performance in Japan and the ship was visited by Admiral Lord Fraser, C-in-C, British Pacific Fleet, while in Shanghai.

The Menestheus is expected to remain in Hong Kong until about May 20. Last evening the ship was visited by sailors from the American Task Force who will again have an opportunity to enjoy its amenities this evening.

It will then be open each evening for the use of Naval personnel until "Pacific Show Boat" weighs anchor and continues its tour with a visit to Singapore.

SUICIDE VERDICT ON OLD WOMAN

A verdict of suicide while of unbalanced mind was returned by Mr. W. H. Latimer, sitting as Coroner at Kowloon Court yesterday, when an inquiry was held into the death of a 73-year-old woman, Fung Wan, of 107, Prince Edward Road, 2nd floor.

The body had been discovered shortly after 6 o'clock on the morning of April 18 lying in the road under the verandah of 107, Prince Edward Road, by a relative of the deceased's at whose house she was staying.

Dr. R. E. Ayres, medical officer-in-charge of the Kowloon Public Mortuary, said that he had conducted a post-mortem examination on the body of the deceased and had found that death was due to a fractured skull and other injuries consistent with a fall from a height of 15 feet or more.

Wong Kam-ha, 29, foster daughter of the deceased, stated in evidence that she had visited her foster mother on the afternoon of April 17. Her foster mother had accompanied her on the way to the Mongkok Ferry at 3 p.m. They had met a friend en route who had conversed with her foster mother, and this appeared to upset her.

Her foster mother, witness said, suffered from moods of depression which had been consistent since the death of her (widow's) husband, at the

HAND CART KILLS GIRL

A 60-year-old widow, Wong Ho, was brought before Mr. George She at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with hiring out a two-wheeled hand truck without an efficient brake on May 2.

Accused pleaded guilty.

Inspector Hilden of the Traffic Department said that about 12.30 noon on May 2, a lorry No. CA 41, was travelling along Queen's Road Central in a westerly direction. When turning into Jackson Road, a two-wheeled hand truck loaded with earth, pulled by three coolies, two of them women, crashed into the lorry. As a result of the accident, two women coolies were seriously injured. One of them, Ho Wal-yin, 18, married woman, died on the way to hospital.

When the report was made, he summoned the owner of the hand truck to appear at the traffic office at 4.45 p.m. the same day. She was cautioned and told about the accident.

Accused was fined \$150 and ordered to pay compensation of \$75 to the husband of the deceased, a woman, and \$25 to the injured coolie.

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Mr. R. S. Smith for the Crown said that he had no objection to bail.

Bail of \$10,000 and two sureties of \$5,000 each were forthcoming.

WANT IT BACK

Shanghai, May 3.
Demands for the return of Hong Kong were chalked outside the British Consulate-General today, on the occasion of Hong Kong's return to Civil Government.

One slogan read: "We want Hong Kong back. This is our island."—Reuter.

W.J. Carroll Granted Bail

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Tomorrow May Be Too Late!

CHOLERA IS A DANGEROUS DISEASE WITH A HIGH MORTALITY RATE. IT IS HIGHLY INFECTIOUS AND SPREADS RAPIDLY. THE DISEASE MAY DEVELOP WITH STARTING SUDDENNESS IN THE INFECTED PERSON AND PROGRESS WITH APPALING RAPIDLY TO DEATH.

IT IS THEREFORE IMPORTANT THAT EVERY CASE BE RECOGNISED AND TREATED IMMEDIATELY. PROMPT TREATMENT CAN SAVE THE PATIENTS' LIFE BUT ONLY IF IT IS PROMPT.

Should anyone develop the following symptoms, severe watery diarrhoea, vomiting, colic and cramps, a registered medical practitioner or Public Dispensary doctor should be called in at once. It is folly to wait "to see if one will be better tomorrow." "Tomorrow" may be too late! Better be over than careless.

The doctor will take the responsibility of correctly diagnosing the case and in the event of its being cholera will notify the Health Authorities, either the anti-epidemic Officer, Post Office Building (Phone No. 39618) or the District Health Officer, who will then issue the necessary instructions and take all further steps.

If anyone has been in contact with a case of cholera the hands should be thoroughly washed and the outer clothing changed and washed or well exposed to strong sunlight.

If not already inoculated this should be done at once. Care should be taken to avoid any food likely to upset the bowels, such as raw or badly cooked vegetables, under-ripe fruit.

Infection Source

If any nausea or diarrhoea and a feeling of lassitude develop report at once to the nearest doctor. The disease may take as long as three weeks to

responsible for the recapture of Burma, this idea presumably inspired by that great screen fighter, Errol Flynn.

Last, that the Manhattan Atom Bomb project (known rather caringly in Britain under the name of Tube Alloys, Ltd.), was an all-American undertaking.

And throughout the entire evening this man was talking with complete sincerity, and it was quite obvious that he fully believed all that he was saying. Now if all this did not have an important bearing on Anglo-American relations it would be laughable.

But it is, unfortunately, too serious a matter to laugh at; such a gross travesty of facts cannot be brushed away with a wave of the hand. The persistent under-estimation of Britain's war effort by Americans is due to two main factors. One is the extreme nationalistic attitude of the U.S. press, which has told the public for the past five years that their country produces the best and nothing but the best. This is illustrated by a recent Gallup Poll, which showed that 95% of the American public believed U.S. warplanes to have been the finest in the world during the last war; this only goes to confirm the fact that you can get most people to believe anything if you tell it to them often enough.

The second factor is the extreme incompetence, complacency, or what you will of the British information services, especially in the U.S.A. Whether it is government policy which is to blame I do not know, but the fact remains that British publicity has been a dismal failure throughout the States.

I am not going to recapitulate facts about British achievements as they have already somewhat belatedly appeared in this paper. What I am going to suggest is that this week we have before us a rare opportunity to tell the American public the truth to our friends. The Americans who are at present visiting us, I am not suggesting "Imperialist Propaganda", but plain cold facts, and I would suggest that no better medium for this exists than the "China Mail". One might have hoped that official quarters would have had the imagination to publish, possibly in pamphlet form, a statistical record of Britain's war record, for not one American in a thousand has any conception of its magnitude. However, still so much is evident around us, one presumes that they are willing, in their proud, complacent and self-satisfied way, to let others continue to take the credit which should rightly belong to Britain. So I can only hope, sir, that your paper will do its duty, to rectify the position with the facts at your disposal.

Who Won The War?

Sir—Last night I spent two hours in the company of an American sailor belonging to the U.S. tank force which arrived recently. Now this sailor seemed to me to be above average intelligence, which made all the more amazed to hear from him the following facts during the course of the evening.

First, that Jet Propulsion had been invented in the U.S. Second, that Radar and its associate, the Radio Proximity Fuse, had also been pioneered in his country. Third, that the U.S. developed Penicillin; that the Mosquito was an American aircraft; that Merlin was an American engine; that U.S. aircraft were primarily responsible for winning the Battle of Britain; and that the Rocket Projectiles was a U.S. invention. Fourth, that the U.S. Army was

one of the first viable effects of the flour ration cut in Hong Kong in the snapping up of official price bread.

Until a few days ago there was a surplus of such bread, and left-overs had to be sold by distributors at a cut in price. The position has since changed. Bakers now have to queue up at the distributing centres early in the morning or else they will not get their loaves.

Reason is the high cost of flour for which collectors are now paying: \$1.25 per catty, as against 40 cents a catty when the first cut in the ration was made.

R.A.F. DANCE

A successful dance was held in the R.A.F. Transit Hotel (Mody-Chacham Roads, Kowloon) last night, and it is hoped that this will be the first of a weekly series. About 80 people were present, made up of chiefly airmen, W.A.A.F.s, and civilian lady partners.

A buffet supper and bar were provided. Arrangements were in the hands of Flying Officer "Dad" Barlow and L.A.O. Bill Smith.

Tojo Gets A Slap On His Bald Head

DARKER LOAF AT HOME NOW

London, May 3.
Britain is to darken her loaf to an extraction rate of 90 per cent, as a temporary measure, the Food Minister, Sir Ben Smith, announced at a hastily called press conference here tonight.

In March the extraction rate was brought to 85 per cent, compared with an average pre-war rate of 73 per cent.

"The change in the rate of extraction involves some consequential changes in the supplying of feeding stuffs this summer. A further statement on this subject will be made in a few days," Sir Ben said.

"The output of biscuits and similar products will be reduced by 25 per cent."

"The fat allocation for flour, confectionery and cakes will be cut by 25 per cent," he declared, adding it was hoped these "drastic steps" would bridge the most stringent period before the gathering of the next harvest.—Reuter.

Darker Yet?

London, May 3.
Yesterday, Sir Ben Smith, British Minister of Food, warned the people of Britain of the possibility of even darker bread, when he opened a mobile "Batter for 'read" exhibition in London.

Proceedings were relayed to seven provincial cities where similar exhibitions were opened simultaneously. Twenty other exhibitions will open in programmes on Wednesday week.

At an exhibition in London, 24 panels with pictures and diagrams give facts of the pre-war trade in wheat and the decline in production caused through war, droughts and floods.

Sir Ben Smith said that the European grain production had fallen from 46,000,000 tons before the war to 31,000,000 tons last year. A four point bread code is prominently displayed and pamphlets and exhibits of dishes made from stale bread demonstrate how the British people's economy can contribute to the relief of nations faced with famine. — London Press Service.

Lord Fraser

Yokohama, May 3.
Admiral Lord Fraser, Commander-in-Chief of the British Pacific Fleet, is to visit the Tokyo and Yokohama areas for a period of six days, beginning May 5.

He will confer with General Douglas MacArthur and also visit Nikko, the health resort north of Tokyo, with Lieutenant-General Robert L. Eichelberger, the 8th Army Commander.—Associated Press.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

MAIL NOTICE

OUTWARD MAIIS

Kwongchow Wan	Tak Oi Lee	9.00 a.m.
Hollow	Shun Fong I	9.00 a.m.
Macao & Tsinshan	Kwong Sal	10.00 a.m.
Kingmoan	Man Hing	11.00 a.m.
Swatow	Haivang	1.10 p.m.
Airmail for Canton & Shanghai	C.N.A.C. Plane	(Reg.) 3.30 p.m.
Canton	Kwongtung	4.00 p.m.
Sunday, 5th May.		
Macao & Tsinshan	Kwong Fook Cheung	10.00 a.m.
Hollow	Wing Hing	10.00 a.m.
Canton	Fatahan	4.00 p.m.
Monday, 6th May.		
Macao & Tsinshan Straits	Kwong Sal	10.00 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok	Tak Sang	(Parcels) 4.5
Amoy	Hermelin	6.5
Airmail for London, Calcutta, Durban, Rangoon, Singapore, Sydney & Auckland	Man Hoog	10.00 a.m.
Airmail for Canton & Hollow	By Air	1.45 p.m.
Canton	C.N.A.C. Plane	(Reg.) 2.00 p.m.
Tuesday, 7th May.		
Macao & Tsinshan Airmail for Shanghai	Kwong Fook Cheung	10.00 a.m.
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Wednesday, 8th May.	Kwong Tung	(Ord.) 9.30 a.m.
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U.S.A., Canada, Central & South America, San Fran, etc.		
Airmail for Sydney	Empire Joy	

Two resounding slaps on top of Tojo's glistening bald head by a capricious co-defendant startled the International Military Tribunal as 28 major Japanese war crimes suspects heard themselves accused of having plunged the Pacific into a war of greed.

"MUSSOLINI" ARRESTS

New York, May 3.
Paris Radio in a broadcast monitored by the National Broadcasting Corporation of America said today that two members of the gang that took Mussolini's body from its pauper's grave in Milan Cemetery have been arrested.

The broadcast said that police reported they hoped to take the entire gang into custody in a short time and added that one of the captured men has already confessed.

The names of the suspects have not been released "in order not to hamper the work of the police, but the case is said to be almost finished," the broadcast concluded. — Associated Press.

Arrivals

Several members of the Dairy Farm Ice and Cold Storage Co. Ltd. returned to the Colony yesterday in the s.s. "Empire Gunfleet" from Australia. They were Mr. George Milne, secretary; Mr. B. W. Bradbury, well-known racehorse owner, lawn bowler and president of Craggawower Cricket Club; Mr. A. Macfarlane and Mr. Kounzefoff.

Mrs. T. Lunson and A. W. Wylie arrived by air earlier in the week.

The "Empire Gunfleet" also brought a herd of 85 cows for the Company and 13 calves born en route. This addition brings the herd to about 500, or about one quarter of what it was before the war.

The usual Sunday concert of Gramophone Music will be held tomorrow at the Catholic Centre, King's Building, at 3.30 p.m. The main item on the programme will be Schubert's "Great C Major Symphony." The programme will also include Bach's Choral Prelude, "Christ lag in Todesbanden"; Svendsen's "Romance for Violin & Orchestra"; Horberg's "Pastorale d'Este" and vocal items from "Tannhauser" and "Madame Butterfly."

A further remand of seven days was granted by the Magistrate, Mr. W. H. Latimer, at Kowloon Court yesterday in the case against Royal Isaac Fernandez, inspector of police; John Charles Stoppa, junior inspector; Yeung Wah-chow, clerk, and Tsang Fon-hung, boatman, on the application of Inspector Smith, appearing for the Police.

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Allied Headquarters said it is expected that only eight aircraft carriers and cruisers would be destroyed under the terms of this order which was issued on Monday and announced today.—Associated Press.

'HANGED BOY' MURDER CASE

Manchester, May 3.
A statement said to have been made by Thomas McClynn, 24-year-old seaman who was brought back from Gibraltar to answer a charge of murder in Liverpool in the "hanged boy" case, was quoted in Court today:

Also charged with the murder of 11-year-old Charles Greeney, found hanged in the clothes rack at his home in Edge Lane, Liverpool, are James Welsh, seaman of no fixed address, Charles Lawrence, 31, seaman, Chalmers Street, Edge Hill, Liverpool, and Henry Joseph White, 21, of no fixed address.

McClynn's address was given as Lancaster Street, Liverpool.

All four men have pleaded not guilty. In an alleged statement by McClynn told how "burglary was arranged in Tracey's Public House, Liverpool." McClynn went on to say "there was no answer to the five minutes knocking at the front door.

After Welsh told the three of them that there was a kid in the kitchen, I knew nothing about it being a murder until I got to Gibraltar when the Inspector told me about it in the warrant," the statement concluded.

At the close of the case for the prosecution Counsel for the defence all indicated they wished to make legal submissions and that these should be made in the presence of the jury.

Mr. Justice Cellers, releasing the jury until tomorrow, said this was an unusual provision because of the gravity of the case, but in these more enlightened days when perhaps juries were more educated they could be relied upon to carry out their duty properly.—Reuter.

SNATCHED WALLET

Wong Pei, 47, was charged before Mr. George Sho at the Central Magistracy yesterday with stealing \$120.00 from Frank Gallaway, engineer of s.s. Hickory went on to say "there was no answer to the five minutes knocking at the front door.

After Welsh told the three of them that there was a kid in the kitchen, I knew nothing about it being a murder until I got to Gibraltar when the Inspector told me about it in the warrant," the statement concluded.

Accused pleaded not guilty. Frank Gallaway stated that about 2.15 p.m. on May 2 he was riding in a rickshaw along the waterfront en route to Jimmy's Kitchen. As he was taking out his wallet to pay the rickshaw coolie, accused snatched the wallet from him. He gave chase and accused was arrested by two police constables who joined in the chase. The wallet was recovered when accused was apprehended.

Accused said he was chased by a drunken man and he was stopped by the first witness and constables. He did not know why he was arrested and taken to Central Police Station.

Accused was convicted and sentenced to eight weeks' hard labour. Inspector H. Sell prosecuted.

Charged With Lorry Theft

Charged with the larceny of two three-ton military lorries from the 605 Indian Infantry workshop in Castle Peak Road, on April 9, motor-car repairer, Lau Yan, 39, of 75, Argyle Street, 1st floor, was remanded on bail of \$500 when he appeared before Mr. W. H. Latimer, at Kowloon Court yesterday.

Defendant was additionally charged with receiving stolen property and with possession of two three-ton Ford motor lorries at 11, Nelson Street, and at 53 Soy Street, on April 18, of a type issued to the military.

Sub-Inst. Andrew asked for a remand until Wednesday, April 8 at 2.30 p.m.

Money Mart

Chinese national currency was flat yesterday, and there were buyers of spot at \$2.39 per CN\$1.00. Futures were quiet, and closing quotation was \$2.21.

Gold also appreciated, and rose from \$422 to \$430 per troy oz. U.S. dollars, which suffered a setback during the last two days, recovered yesterday afternoon, with buyers offering \$6.16 for large notes and \$6.10 for small English Sterling and Australian pounds were unchanged at \$17.10 and \$12.00 respectively.

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The quotations on the Shanghai market today were as follows:

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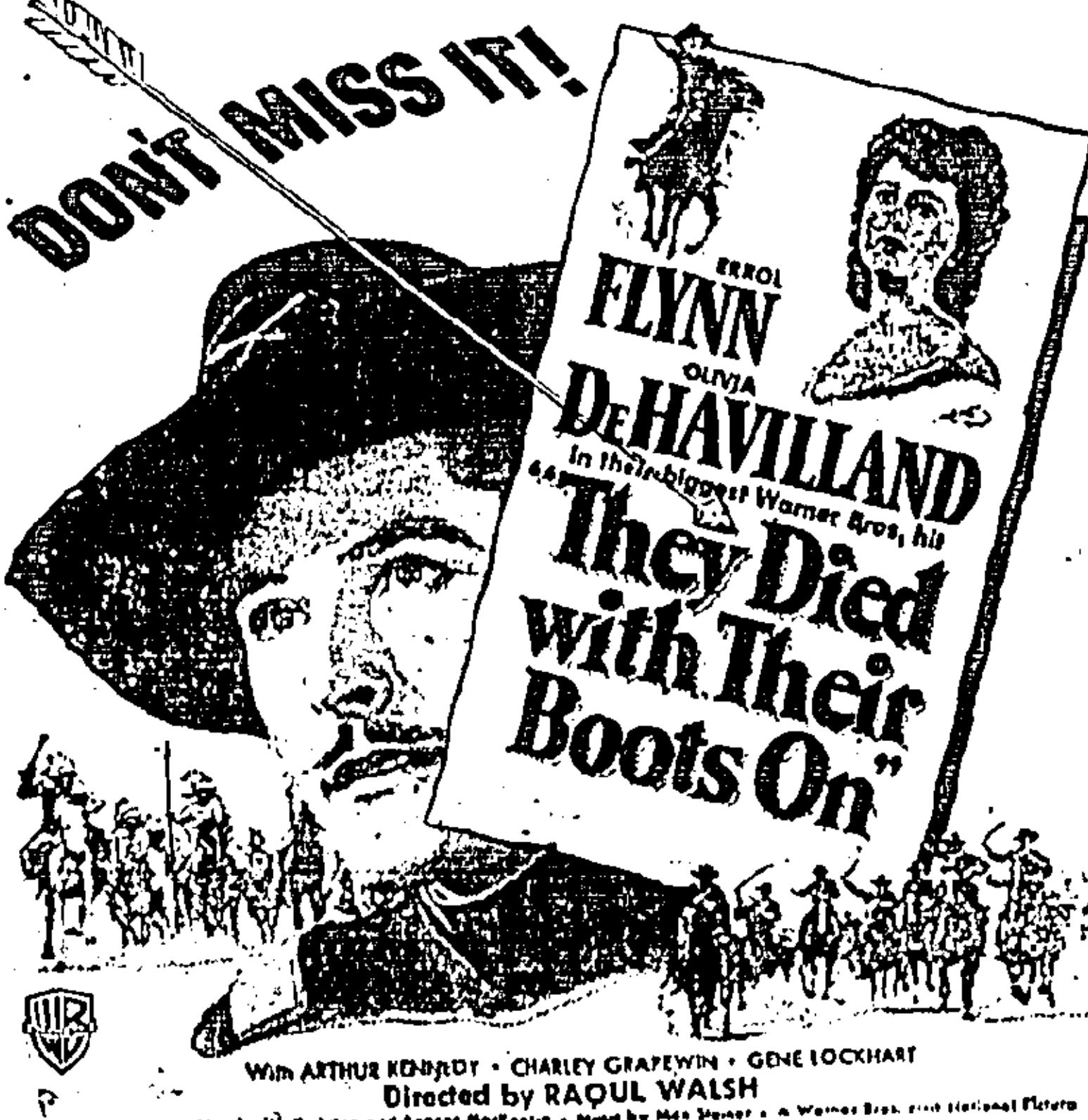
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Paris Deadlock: Talks Get Into Second Gear

(By HAROLD KING)

PARIS, May 3.—THE FOUR-POWER CONFERENCE TODAY MOVED INTO SECOND GEAR IN AN EFFORT TO GET OUT OF THE ADMITTED DEADLOCK WHICH THE FIRST WEEK OF THE FORMAL MEETINGS DEALING WITH THE ITALIAN PEACE TREATY HAS LANDED IT. ON THE SUGGESTION OF THE FRENCH FOREIGN MINISTER, M. GEORGES BIDAUDET THAT THE "CONFERENCE IS NOT GETTING ANYWHERE" MR. BYRNES, MR. BEVIN, M. BIDAUDET AND MR. MOLOTOV THIS EVENING STARTED MEETINGS IN AN INFORMAL MANNER—WITHOUT AGENDA OR MINUTES—in MR. BYRNES' OWN OFFICE AT LUXEMBOURG PALACE.

Decision was taken unanimously earlier today "in the interest of greater understanding and greater progress."

The deadlock arises between Russia and other powers over the question of appointing a treaty commission to supervise the apprehension of Italian war criminals in Italy and other military clauses of the future treaty.

Other thorny questions, such as disposal of Italian colonies, including North Africa, and the ultimate sovereignty of Trieste, have been shelved during the first week of the conference, and observers agree that the time has now come for getting down to brass tacks of striking practical bargains between the "Big Four."

The conference may henceforth be expected to move back into the secret zone, in which Russia expected it would be conducted from the start. The practice of the American, British and French delegations to give so-called "background talks" every night to press representatives of their own nationality has, so far, enabled the world public to have a fairly accurate idea of the subjects discussed and the views expressed by each of the "Big Four."

Bargaining Stage

Now the stage of realistic bargaining appears to have set in, observers express doubts whether the same refreshing frankness will continue to be observed by conference officials.

Contrary to original expectations, the Four-Power conference hitherto, has been the least secretive of any international conference since Mr. Winston Churchill went to Moscow in August 1942 to tell Generalissimo Stalin in a stormy session that Britain could not possibly

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Award

Paris, May 3.—The Foreign Ministers' Council yesterday awarded the string of Dalmatian Islands along the eastern coast of the Adriatic sea to Yugoslavia, it was learned from British sources. Associated Press.

Premature Report?

Washington, May 2.—Mr. Charles Ross, press secretary at the White House, today reiterated the inferences he gave reporters yesterday that President Truman's telephone talk with M. Georges Bidault, French Foreign Minister, was limited to an exchange of greetings.

Mr. Ross showed irritation at being asked many questions, including one about reports in Paris newspapers that the President had disguised the French food situation with M. Bidault and another on reports in United States newspapers to the effect that the President's chat with the French Foreign Minister "projected him into French general politics."

(It was reported from Paris yesterday that President Truman told M. Bidault over the trans-Atlantic telephone: "Important decisions were taken in Washington this morning (April 30) to aid France: Firstly, in regard to a loan and, secondly, in regard to wheat shipment. You will know the details very soon, and I am sure they will be very satisfactory for France.")—Reuter.

Clash With Russia

At today's formal session, the four Ministers decided in favour of Yugoslavia's claim to a number of islands off the Dalmatian coast, including the island of Pelago, on condition it is not fortified. Italy was awarded the island of Plangia on the same condition.

It is authoritatively learned that the British and American delegations are united in the clash with the Russians on questions of Italian reparations. This question was discussed during a 2½ hour informal session held in the private office of Mr. James Byrnes.

The Russians stuck to their previous demand for £75,000,000 reparations from Italy. Mr. Byrnes indicated he was ready to listen to any plan. Russia might advance for attaining reparations from Italy without crippling Italian economy.

Earlier in the conference, the four Ministers agreed that a revision of the armistice terms with Italy should be made with all possible speed.

Italians Arrive

The informal discussions between the "Big Four" Foreign Ministers, which are to supplement the formal sessions of the conference from today, are expected to differ from the earlier meetings in that there will be no formal session, and no formal records will be made.

M. Bidault received the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Molotov, this morning before the Foreign Ministers' meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Bevin are holding a reception at the British Embassy tomorrow evening in honour of the American, Soviet and French delegations.

Meanwhile, Signor De Gasperi, Italian Prime Minister, accompanied by Count Nicolo Carandini, Italian Ambassador, 18 experts on military, naval and political questions and officials of the Italian Foreign Ministry arrived in Paris this evening.

Signor De Gasperi has come to Paris to take part in tomorrow's session of the conference, when it is expected that the main points of the Italian peace treaty will be discussed.—Reuter.

Literally Fishers Of Men

London, May 3.—Clergymen in Northern Norway have almost literally become "fishers of men" in accordance with Christ's injunction, the British Council of Churches Committee for Christian Reconstruction in Europe announced here today.

Using contributions which the Committee collected throughout Britain, the Norwegian clergymen have converted a fishing boat into a floating church to bring the gospel to isolated island villages where many of the churches and other buildings were destroyed during the war.

The boat sails along the Northern coast, collecting contributions for services, couples for weddings and babies for christenings and performing other ecclesiastical functions.—Reuter.

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Obituary

York Minster Organist

New York, May 3.—

Sir Edward Cuthbert Bairstow,

distinguished cathedral organist

and choir trainer, and for 33 years

organist and master of music at

York Minster in the North of

England, died at York last night

at the age of 71.

When he was 17, Bairstow started as music master at a private school in Windsor, Berkshire, and in October 1893, became an articled pupil to Sir Frederick Bridge, organist of London's Westminster Abbey, remaining with him for six years.

In 1913, Bairstow succeeded Dr. Turtius Noble as organist and master of the choir at York Minster.

On the occasion of his 70th birthday in 1944, the people of York honoured Bairstow by filling the fine sixteenth century hall of St. Williams to hear a concert of his own compositions. The Minister choir were among the performers.

In 1928, Bairstow was elected President of the Royal College of Organists, and in 1932 he was knighted.—Reuter.

Research Expert

New York, May 3.—

Dr. Simon Flexner, 85, Director

Emeritus of the Rockefeller In-

stitute for Medical Research, who

was renowned for studies of

meningitis, infantile paralysis and

dysentery, died today after an

operation.

Flexner was a member of the commission sent to the Philippines in 1899 to investigate tropical diseases. There he discovered bacillus responsible for a widespread form of dysentery.—Associated Press.

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Just A Lot Of Turkey

Cardiff, May 3.—

The crew of the French air-

craft carrier Dixmude, putting

in at Newport, was given a

civil welcome today by the

Mayor of Newport, Alderman

Mrs. B. H. Hayward.

The senior officer, Commander F. Alpin, was introduced to the Mayor by Mr. Eric Dunn, the French Consular Agent at Newport.

The Dixmude, which has ar-

ived to load naval stores, leaves

on Saturday to return to her

port.—Reuter.

KICKED OUT

London, May 3.—

Seven thousand Germans exiled

from Czechoslovakia and Hun-

gary have arrived in the German provinces

of Westphalia and Baden, ac-

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in Germany reported today.—Reuter.

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LONDON, MAY 3.
MERCHANT VESELS UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN BRITISH SHIPYARDS AT THE END OF MARCH REACHED 1,676,104 TONS—DOUBLE THE CORRESPONDING TONNAGE AT THE END OF 1938 AND THE HIGHEST FIGURE RECORDED SINCE JUNE 1922.
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BRIDGE NOTES

The bidding of today's hand was hopelessly unsound, but the play was interesting.

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Neither side Vulnerable

B. 6 3
H. A Q 8 7 2
D. A Q 6 2
C. K 6

B. Q 8 7 4
H. 6 3
D. 10 8 3
Q. 7 3

B. A 10 8 5 2
H. 10 6
D. J 0
C. A 8 4

The bidding:
North East South West
1H Pass 2S Pass
3D Pass 3S Pass
4S Pass 6S Pass
Pass Dbl. Pass Pass

Pass

West, for reasons known only to himself, opened the Jack of hearts, and South thought for a moment. It seemed highly probable that East had both red Kings for his double; so either he had to be talked out of both Kings, or South had to hope for a very favourable trump situation.

After arriving at this conclusion, South put up dummy's heart Ace and calmly returned the heart deuce. East naturally thought his partner had led from the Jack of hearts, and South won with the heart ten! South next laid down the Ace of trumps, and East's Jack gave him food for thought. Before deciding on his next trump play, however, South went after the diamonds. He led the five of diamonds from his own hand, winning with dummy's Ace—and then returned the deuce of diamonds from the dummy. East thought and squirmed—and finally played a low diamond—and South won with the diamond Jack!

Having twice swindled East, South could now turn to West. He led to the club King, ruffed a third round of diamonds, cashed the club Ace, ruffed a club in dummy, and ruffed a third round of hearts. At this stage South and West had only trumps left. South then led the eight of trumps and West was helpless. He could win with the nine of trumps, but would then have to lead from his Queen-seven up to South's King!

Question

Today you hold the same hand, and the bidding continues:

Schenken Jacob You Maier

ID 2C Dbl. Pass

2S Pass (?)

What do you bid? (Answer Tomorrow.)

TIDEWATER OIL

New York, May 3.

President William F. Humphrey today predicted a rapid expansion of the Tidewater Associated Oil Company's foreign business.

Before the war, the Tidewater markets included China, the Philippines and India.

Humphrey told the annual meeting that the first quarter income was \$3,474,661 or \$0.64 a share, compared with \$0.59 a share in the first quarter of last year.—Associated Press.

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U. S. COTTON

New York, May 2.

New York Cotton:—May \$27.65, July \$27.50/57, October \$27.00/62, December \$27.05, March \$27.07, May —, Middling Spot \$28.14.

New Orleans Cotton:—May \$27.51 bid, July \$27.52, October \$27.55/59, December \$27.63, March \$27.68 bid, Middling Spot \$27.50.—Associated Press.

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OIL PRODUCTION

New York, May 3.

The American Petroleum Institute today reported that the daily gross crude oil production last week decreased by 14,250 barrels to 4,672,000 barrels.

The total estimated production of gasoline is given as 14,228,000 barrels.—Associated Press.

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N. Y. EXCHANGES

New York, May 2.

Foreign Exchange:—Market—

T.T. to Montreal \$50.81/4, London

\$4.03/4, Paris \$28.84, Buenos

Aires \$17.52, London \$20.05, Rio

de Janeiro \$15.25, Mexico \$20.05.—Associated Press.

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RAIL STATISTICS

Washington, May 3.

The Association of American Railroads today reported that 659,052 cars of revenue freight were loaded last week.

This figure represents an increase of 1.4 per cent over the preceding week and a decrease of 26.7 from the corresponding week a year ago.—Associated Press.

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N.Y. STOCK MARKET

New York, May 2.

Specialized demand continued to bring wide gains today to assorted thin issues while many leaders were forced to give ground under light selling pressure.

Split-ups of dividends and earnings and hopes of price control relaxation inspired mild optimism. Industrial curtailments resulting from the coal strike brought pessimism.

Shares traded totalled 1,000,000

for the day.

Dow Jones Industrial ... \$70.40

30 Industrials ... 204.08

20 Rails ... 64.20

10 Utilities ... 43.14

Adams Express \$22 1/2, Alaska

Jameau \$8 1/2, American Can \$94,

American Smelting \$68 1/2, Ameri-

cian Telephone \$104 1/2, American

Tobacco \$98 1/2, American Water-

works \$25 1/2, Anaconda Copper

\$46 1/2, Aviation Corporation \$10,

Baldwin \$33 1/2, Barnard \$20 1/2,

Bendix Aviation \$48 1/2, Bethlehem

Steel \$100 1/2, Boeing \$27 1/2, Borden

Co. \$55, Canadian Pacific \$18 1/2,

J. I. Case \$40 1/2, Chrysler \$128,

Colgate \$63, Commercial Solvents

\$24 1/2, Corn Products \$61, Dupont

\$121 1/2, Eastman Kodak \$25 1/2,

Electric Light & Power \$27 1/2,

General Electric \$45 1/2, General

Motors \$73, Goodrich \$80 1/2, Good-

year \$75 1/2, Homestake Mining

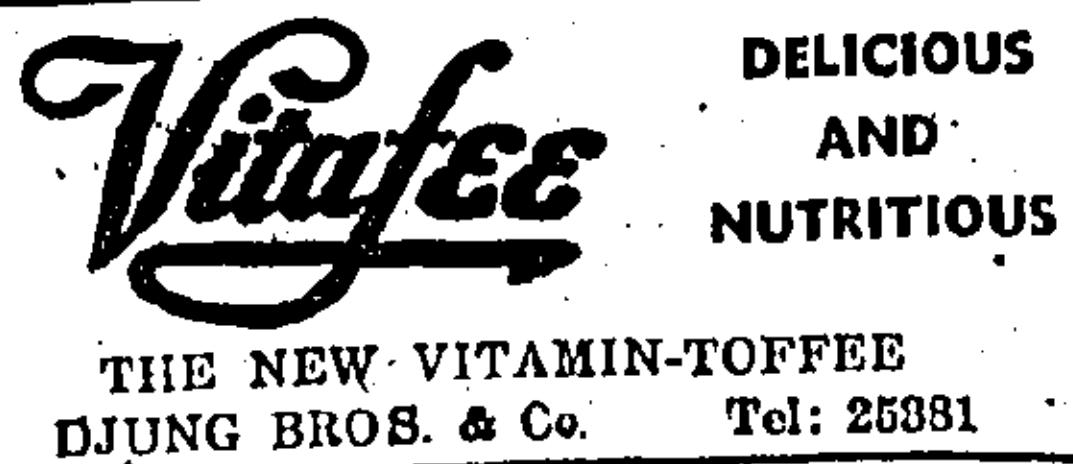
\$48, International Harvester \$93 1/2,

International Paper \$40 1/2, Inter-

national Tel. & Tel. \$25, Johns

Manville \$157 1/2, Kennecott Cop-

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ATOM ENERGY BILL Complete Control And Use By Government Only Proposed Heavy Penalties Suggested

Simla

Simla, May 3.
The round-table conference on India's future constitution between the Cabinet Mission and the Indian Muslim and Congress leaders will open in Simla on Sunday. Preliminary talks began today.

The British and Congress delegations have now assembled, but the Muslim delegation is still awaited, and Dr. M. A. Jinnah, President of the Muslim League, is not expected until Saturday.—Reuter.

VICTORY DAY CELEBRATIONS

London, May 3.
Hundreds of coloured floodlights and searchlights will illuminate the historic landmarks during the Victory Day celebrations here from June 8 to June 15, involving the expenditure of £27,000.

Buckingham Palace, London residence of the Royal family, will be cast in a purple glow from 12 searchlights while an additional two will illuminate the Royal Standard.

Nelson's Column in Trafalgar Square will be pinpointed from four searchlights pointed on buildings around the square. Twelve searchlights will illuminate the dome of St. Paul's Cathedral.

Plans have been worked out by electrical engineers of the Ministry of Works to achieve various effects with red, green, amber and purple lighting to accentuate the details of architecture.

Canada House in Trafalgar Square will be floodlit white from 49 lights. Pale blue and white will be thrown onto the Admiralty Arch at the head of Whitehall and government buildings will be illuminated in various colours.

Scotland and Wales will have their own floodlighting plans arranged by the local authorities but Ministry of Works engineers will send fittings to illuminate St. Andrew's House, Edinburgh, headquarters of the Scottish Office, and the Board of Health building in Cardiff, Wales.—Reuter.

R.N. Programme

London, May 3.
Details of the Royal Navy's plans for the Victory celebrations, issued by the Admiralty today, provide for a five-day visit of cruisers, destroyers, submarines, torpedo-boats and minesweepers to the Thames.

Twenty warships are expected to arrive in the Thames on Friday, June 7 and stay until Tuesday, June 11. The ships will be illuminated at night with thousands of coloured lights. They will be moored at various points along the Thames and with the permission of the Admiralty will be open to the public on Whit Sunday and Whit Monday.

A parade on Saturday, June 8, of hundreds of officers and ratings will include four distinguished naval war commanders and the vanguard column will include distinguished foreign war commanders. The Royal Standard, to be hoisted at the saluting base at the Mall, is the one used on the beaches in Normandy when the King visited his troops shortly after D-Day.

Representatives of Dominion navies will march with the Dominion contingents.—Reuter.

TORY MOTION REJECTED

London, May 3.
The House of Commons tonight agreed in principle to Health Minister Anurin Bevan's health plan, providing for free medical and hospital treatment for all citizens, after rejecting a Conservative motion to throw out the bill by 850 votes to 173.

Before passing the bill, the House of Commons, the bill must be debated in detail, and a final vote will be necessary. If passed through this stage, it will go for debate in the House of Lords.—Reuter.

PENALTIES OF UP TO FIVE YEARS PENAL SERVITUDE FOR THE UNAUTHORISED DISCLOSURES OF INFORMATION ON ATOMIC ENERGY HAVE BEEN LAID DOWN IN THE ATOMIC ENERGY BILL, WHICH VESTS COMPLETE CONTROL OF BRITISH DEVELOPMENT AND USE OF THE ATOM IN THE GOVERNMENT, ACCORDING TO THE TEXT OF THE BILL ISSUED HERE TODAY.

THE MEASURE WAS INTRODUCED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS YESTERDAY BY MR. JOHN WILMOT, MINISTER OF SUPPLY.

Details of the penalties under the act provide for a maximum fine of £500 and an alternative or additional five years penal servitude.

The Bill empowers the Minister of Supply exclusively to produce and use atomic energy in this country, to carry out research and to produce, handle and deal with it in any way.

Clauses in the measure also cover other phases of atomic development, including the assimilation of information and the search for minerals containing uranium and other substances vital to research. Materials and contractual rights could be acquired by compulsion.

Special provisions regarding inventions in relation to atomic energy are laid down in the Bill and the Comptroller-General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks, is required to prohibit or restrict the publication of information concerning an application for a patent of this nature, and to notify the Ministry.

Wide Power

The Bill also prohibits applications for patents by persons resident in this country or in any other country outside the United Kingdom, unless similar application has already been made here and any ban lifted.

The powers of the Bill must be wide in order to permit the British Government to carry out the obligations which might fall on it under any scheme of international control worked out by the United Nations, the Minister of Supply, Mr. John Wilmot, told a press conference today.

It was essential that the Government should have powers to discharge its international obligations and that unlicensed persons should be prevented from producing his destructive power without supervision, he continued.

It was not intended that there should be any restriction on the free exchange of basic scientific information, Mr. Wilmot emphasised, as opposed to information about the technical know-how of running the plants. This remarkable new branch of science must not be allowed to languish and die, the Minister concluded.

Heavy Spending

An expenditure of no less than £30,000,000 is foreseen to cover the projects already announced by the Prime Minister, which comprise extensive experiments in the production of materials required and for their use.

Progress has already been made in building the governmental experimental station at Harwell aerodrome near Didcot, Berkshire.

Although no information is given as to whether the Dominion Prime Ministers now in London were discussing atomic energy problems, it is reported that the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Joseph Chifley, and the Australian Minister for External Affairs, Dr. Evatt, today conferred with Professor Oliphant, Australian professor of physics at Birmingham University, who was a leading figure in British wartime atomic research.

It is not the aim of the British Government to interfere with purely scientific research as distinct from details of actual working of factories, but in case of doubt, the Minister of Supply will decide what comes within the sphere of pure science.

He said he suffered a loss of memory for 18 years and in

Newmarket, May 3.
The King's filly, Hypericum, which won the One Thousand Guineas here to day, bolted at the start of the race and after going three quarters of a mile, was caught and taken back to the post.

The race started 14 minutes late owing to Hypericum's escapade. This filly, who is inclined to be fractious, seemed to be on her best behaviour but just when it was thought the starter would despatch the field, she threw her Jockey and galloped down the course. Smith, her Jockey, was heavily thrown but unhurt. A few minutes later back she came after Smith had caught up with her in a can. This time she went away with the field although starting rather slowly.

It was the King's fourth winner of the season. He had previously won the One Thousand Guineas with Sun Charlot. It was Douglas Smith's first classic. Princess Elizabeth saw her father win one of the most spectacular races ever seen in Newmarket.

The betting was 100 to 6 on Hypericum, 4 to 6 on Neolight and 9 to 1 on Iona. Hypericum won by 1½ lengths. Three quarters of a length separated Neolight and Iona.—Reuter.

Press Ban

Individual firms and even private persons may be licensed to carry out work in atomic energy and thus experiments will not be confined to Government facilities.

The publication of information on atomic secrets is completely banned with the important exception of that which has appeared in the foreign press.

Widespread powers are conferred upon the Minister of Supply, who may order his officers to search any buildings where he has reasonable grounds for believing that atomic work is being carried out and to remove any designs or documents.

The Government also has the right to acquire the necessary minerals although none are believed to exist in the British Isles and to take over any firm or apparatus.

Except in time of war, no Minister has ever been given such full powers.—Reuter.

ALEX ARRESTS

Alexandria, May 3.
Egyptian troops yesterday occupied Fouad University and arrested 18 students who demonstrated there in protest against published reports that Britain proposes to retain four airfields in Egypt.

The troops cleared the University after three persons were killed on Wednesday in a clash between students and police.—Associated Press.

DAVIS CUP

Barcelona, May 3.

Switzerland and Spain divided

the first two singles matches of

Their Davis Cup matches with

Luis Carlos Downing Henriquez

of Switzerland by a score of

6-3, 6-4, 6-3; and Josep Spitzer

beating Pedro Castells of Spain

6-4, 6-1, 6-4.—Associated Press.

WIDOW PRODUCES A BONE AS PROOF

London, May 3.

A titled Indian woman, in evidence presented to the Privy Council today, based her claim to widowhood and an

immonso fortune on a human bone she said she carried

from her husband's funeral pyre 37 years ago.

The testimony, part of voluminous court records of a 27-year-old lawsuit for an Indian domain as big as England, was a phase in one of the strangest cases ever brought before the highest judicial authority in the British Empire.

Appealing against a decision of India's highest court granting the estate to a man who claims to be the Rajah, the Rane of Bibhabati's evidence said she took the bone from among the ashes of his remains and it was thrown into the river Ganges by a priest.

Counsel for the Rane said her husband died on May 8, 1909, and the following day his body was taken in a procession to the Hindu cremation ground at Darjeeling.

The man who claims to be the Rajah says he was revived by a sudden rainstorm at the moment the pyre burst into flames.

Became Disciple

Rescued by four bogors, he

was nursed back to health and taken to a famous Hindu shrine in Kashmir, where he became a disciple of the chief of the ascetics.

He avows also that when his body was found missing another was substituted and burned.

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SPORTS SECTION

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Best Soccer Team In Years

(By "REFEREE")
THE BEST SOCCER TEAM SEEN IN ACTION HERE FOR MANY YEARS AND ONE WHICH HAS DONE MORE THAN ANY OTHER FOR THE REHABILITATION OF FOOTBALL IN HONG KONG IS 44 R.M. COMMANDOS.

IT WAS A GREAT PITY THAT DEPARTURES ROBBED THEM OF PRACTICALLY ALL THEIR ORIGINAL PLAYERS AT A CRITICAL JUNCTURE OF BOTH THE LEAGUE AND SHIELD COMPETITIONS AS THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT HAD THEY HAD THEIR ORIGINAL SIDE THEY WOULD HAVE FIGURED MORE PROMINENTLY IN ONE OF THE COMPETITIONS.

44 R.M. Commandos played games soon after their arrival here when R.S.M. Spenser arranged intra-unit games and games with the other services. They played the first charity game against Combined Chinese at Recreio Ground in October, winning by 6-1 and assisting in raising over \$6,000 for charity.

Newspaper of the high standard of football they displayed and of their sportsmanship soon spread and early in November they were invited by the Macao Police Sports Board to visit Macao and there play several games.

There they played and easily won four games and greatly impressed with their behaviour on and off the field of play. They were lavishly entertained by all sections.

ENVIRABLE RECORD

Before their arrival here 44 R.M. Commandos had an enviable record and it is understood that ever since they were in England they have lost but few games. Departures in recent months have hit them badly and today only Jack and MacNamara remain of the original team.

OFFER TO COTTON

Montreal, May 3.
The Beaconsfield Golf Club cabled the British Professional Golfers' Association today, offering \$2,000 in prizes and a round trip with all expenses paid to Henry Cotton, former Open Champion and three other British professionals asking them to reconsider their previous decision and send a team to America to play on American soil next year.

The United States now holds the Ryder Cup, having won it in England in 1937 for the fourth time in six matches. British champion Dick Burton accepted an invitation on Wednesday to meet Byron Nelson, the United States PGA champion at Mamaroneck, New York on May 29.—Associated Press.